

Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 6, last paragraph to top 2 lines on page 7, please amend as follows:

The controlled support means 7 comprise: means 9 for measuring the sag of the preform 1; at least one support element 10 mounted on controlled position means 11 mounted to move between an active end position in which the support element 10 is in contact 8 with the preform 1 being manufactured, and an inactive end position in which the support element 10 is not in contact with the preform 1 being manufactured; and servo-control means (or computer) 12 for servo-controlling the controlled positioning means 11 in the active end position to a controllable predetermined reference value C for the sag of the preform 1.